

Marine Corps League - Choctaw Detachment 778

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To: Chief Operating Officer, Marine Corps League

From: Detachment Commandant James Roy



Subject: Proposed Administrative Procedure Change

In accordance with Section 10020. Amendments of the National Administrative Procedures I am submitting the following change.

Current:

2019 NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Enclosure (4)

NOTE 1

For each additional medal award, a bronze star will be worn. A silver star will be worn in place of five (5) bronze stars and a gold star will be worn in place of five (5) silver stars unless otherwise noted. The exceptions are: Distinguished Citizens Medal - Gold; Distinguished Citizens Medal - Silver; Distinguished Citizens Medal - Bronze; and Distinguished Service Medal. On each of the aforementioned Distinguished Service Medals a 5/16" gold star will be worn to indicate additional awards and a 5/16" silver star will be worn in place of five (5) gold stars.

Proposed:

NOTE 1

A 3/16" bronze star will be worn for each additional award. A 3/16" silver star will be worn in place of five (5) bronze stars and a 3/16" gold star will be worn in place of five (5) silver stars unless otherwise noted.

The exceptions are:

1. Distinguished Citizens Medal - Gold; Distinguished Citizens Medal - Silver; Distinguished Citizens Medal - Bronze; and Distinguished Service Medal. On each of the aforementioned Distinguished Service Medals a 5/16" gold star will be worn to indicate additional awards and a 5/16" silver star will be worn in place of five (5) gold stars.
2. Miniature Medals - A 1/8" star will be worn in place of any of the aforementioned sizes due to the size of the medals and this complies with Marine Corps standards.

Rationale:

The rationale for this proposal is to cut down on confusion to the members of the League. Currently inside the administrative procedures the paragraph is very long and some members do not see the exceptions, the four top medals rate the 5/16" gold star. This makes it a little

more distinguishable and adds the exception for mini medals. In this instance it is not stated anywhere in the administrative procedures that there is any difference in the size of the stars, however they clearly need to be a different size to conform with normal Marine Corps standards for miniature medals. This addition to Note 1 helps clear this up.